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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Tsutomu HORIE, et al.

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Examiner: Hadi Akhavannik

For: DEVICE AND METHOD FOR INSPECTING PHOTOMASKS AND PRODUCTS

FABRICATED USING THE SAME

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on March 17, 2008 (March 16, 2008 being a Sunday).

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.